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SUBJ: GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR THE AMBASSADOR

REF: STATE 202219 (STADIS)

1. TASK STATEMENT GENERALLY ALL RIGHT, BUT I SUGGEST FOLLOW-
ING CHANGES:

2. ADD AT END OF PARA BEGINNING FACILITATE U.S. BUSINESS
COMMUNITY, ETC., QUOTE AND PROMOTE U.S. EXPORTS IN RELEVANT
FIELDS. UNQUOTE.

3. SECTION THREE NOT ADEQUATE; PROPOSE INSTEAD THE FOLLOW-
ING: QUOTE ENCOURAGE A MORE EFFECTIVE DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY:

-- ASSURE SRI LANKANS THAT THEIR STRESS ON EQUITY, BASIC
SERVICES, AND ADHERENCE TO HUMAN RIGHTS IS FULLY IN ACCORD
WITH U.S. DEVELOPMENT POLICY.

-- INDICATE, HOWEVER, THAT THE SIZE AND NATURE OF THE U.S.
ASSISTANCE PROGRAM DEPENDS PRIMARILY ON THE STRENGTH OF THE
GOVERNMENT'S OWN DEVELOPMENT EFFORT -- ITS READINESS TO MOBI-
LIZE DOMESTIC RESOURCES, TO INSTITUTE POLICIES WHICH ENHANCE
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PRODUCTIVITY AND WHICH PROMOTE EFFICIENT USE OF RESOURCES
ALREADY AVAILABLE, AND TO DRAW UP EFFECTIVE DEVELOPMENT
PLANS AND PROGRAMS.

-- ENCOURAGE ATTENTION TO THE STEPS NECESSARY TO ACCELERATE
ECONOMIC GROWTH AND INCREASE PRODUCTIVITY, INVESTMENT, AND
EMPLOYMENT, PARTICULARLY IN AGRICULTURE.

-- ENSURE THAT U. S. ASSISTANCE HELPS SRI LANKA ACHIEVE

BROAD-BASED, EMPLOYMENT-GENERATING GROWTH WHICH IS NECESSARY
IF ITS PROGRESSIVE SOCIAL STRUCTURE IS TO BE RE-INFORCED.

-- CONSISTENT WITH OUR DESIRE TO ENHANCE SRI LANKAN SELF-
RELIANCE TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT POSSIBLE, VEST RESPONSIBILITY
FOR PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTING ASSISTANCE PROJECTS WITH SRI
LANKANS, MINIMIZING THE USE OF AMERICAN PERSONNEL. UNQUOTE.

4. PARA FOUR SATISFACTORY AS DRAFTED, THOUGH FIRST PROPOSITION
REGARDING ACTIVE NON-ALIGNED ROLE HARDLY CONSISTENT WITH EN-
COURAGING STATEMENTS ON SOVIET ACTIVITIES IN BERBERA. CANNOT
HAVE IT BOTH WAYS.

5. ACCORDINGLY, PROPOSE REVISING NEXT TO LAST PROPOSITION
IN PARA FIVE ON INDIAN OCEAN AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE ENCOURAGE
JAYEWARDENE GOVERNMENT TO TAKE EVEN-HANDED PUBLIC POSITION ON
U.S. AND SOVIET ACTIVITIES IN THE INDIAN OCEAN. UNQUOTE.

6. OTHERWISE, INSTRUCTIONS ARE SATISFACTORY, THOUGH JUST
BETWEEN US, HOW ONE SUSTAINS, CONSOLIDATES, FACILITATES, EN-
COURAGES, AND PROMOTES BY A LOW-PROFILE LEAVES ME PUZZLED.
BUT I AGREE WITH LOW-PROFILE SO THE REST IS MY PROBLEM.

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